UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

| In Re: Application for Exemption from |) | General Order No. 2017-7 |
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| Electronic Public Access Fees by |) | |
| Ethan D. Boldt, Doctoral Student, University |) | |
| of Georgia, Political Science Department |) | |

ORDER

This matter is before the Court upon the request of Ethan D. Boldt, a doctoral student in the University of Georgia's Department of Political Science, for a temporary exemption from the fees imposed by the Electronic Public Access Fee Schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States Courts for the purposes of performing research.

The Court finds that Ethan D. Boldt, an individual researcher associated with an educational institution, falls within the class of users listed in the Electronic Public Access Fee Schedule appended to 28 U.S.C. § 1914 as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Mr. Boldt has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.

ACCORDINGLY:

Ehtan D. Boldt shall be exempt from the payment of fees for access via PACER to the electronic case files maintained in this Court, to the extent such use is incurred in the course of his dissertation research project entitled "The People and Process of Federal Criminal Cases." The University of Georgia and Ethan D. Boldt shall not be exempt from the payment of fees incurred in connection with other uses of the PACER system in this Court. Additionally, the following limitations apply:

1. This fee exemption applies only to Ethan D. Boldt of The University of Georgia,

and is valid only for the academic purposes stated above, and not for commercial

purposes or internet redistribution;

2. This fee exemption applies only to the electronic case files of this Court that are

available through the PACER system;

3. By accepting this exemption, The University of Georgia and Ethan D. Boldt agree

not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving the exemption, and

not transfer any data obtained as the result of the fee exemption unless expressly

authorized by the Court; and

4. Unless extended by further order, this exemption will expire **December 31, 2018**.

This exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the Court at any time. Any further

extension will be granted only upon a written request supported by an explanation of the limited

scope of the research for which it is sought, the progress to-date, and the anticipated date of its

conclusion.

The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Order to the PACER Service Center and to

Ethan D. Boldt, The University of Georgia, Department of Political Science, 104 Baldwin Hall,

355 S. Jackson Street, Athens, GA 30602.

Entered this 16th day of August, 2017.

/s/ Theresa L. Springmann

Theresa L. Springmann, Chief Judge

United States District Court

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